



Pope Wants Ceasefire



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Vocabularies

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- **Pandemic** (adj) pæn'demɪk
- **Backed** (v) bækt
- **Overcome** (v) 'oʊvər,kʌm
- **Rivalries** (n) 'raɪvəlɹɪz
- **Vulnerable** (adj.) 'vʌlnərəbəl

Listening

Listen to the audio once or twice then answer few questions after.

Pope Wants Ceasefire – level 3



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Level 1

Level 2

Level 3

Pope Francis said that he **backed a call** from UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres to have a global **ceasefire** in order to end wars and to fight the **pandemic**.

Francis said that he hoped a ceasefire would encourage countries to **overcome** their **rivalries**. He also said that countries need to continue to help one another and to pay attention to vulnerable people like those in prison or nursing homes.

Earlier this week, the number of confirmed cases of coronavirus in Vatican City was six. A Vatican official said that the Pope and those that work with him have not tested positive.

Difficult words: **back a call** (to support a call to action), **pandemic** (a disease that makes people sick all over the world and spreads very easily), **overcome rivalries** (to stop arguments or fights).

Quick Check

1. What is the call from the UN Secretary General for?

2. What does the Pope response to global ceasefire?

3. How could a ceasefire affect the countries?

4. How many confirmed cases in Vatican city has been recorded as of April 3?

Vocabulary Review

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Conversation Questions:

- Do you know something about the Pope?
- Do you know any related issue about the article?
- Do you agree with the call of global ceasefire? Why/Why not?
- How can a country overcome its losses from the virus?
- Would you say that your country is in a vulnerable state?
- *"The business world is tough today. There's a general **dog-eat-dog** attitude."*
What does dog-eat-dog mean?

Thank you !

